

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A valve assembly, comprising:
a valve body having a top portion and a bottom portion;
a top plate disposed at the top portion;
a bottom plate disposed at the bottom portion; and
an adjustment member disposed between the top plate and the bottom plate, wherein movement of the adjustment member changes a relative position between the top plate and the bottom plate.
2. The valve assembly of claim 1, wherein the valve body has a groove in the top portion that engages the top plate.
3. The valve assembly of claim 1, wherein at least one of the valve body, the top plate, and the bottom plate restrict rotational movement when the adjustment member changes the relative position of the top plate and the bottom plate.
4. The valve assembly of claim 3, wherein the valve body has a double-D cross section and the top plate and bottom plate each have a double-D opening to accommodate the valve body.
5. The valve assembly of claim 1, wherein the adjustment member comprises a tool mating portion.
6. The valve assembly of claim 5, wherein the tool mating portion is a slot that accommodates a screwdriver.
7. The valve assembly of claim 1, wherein at least a portion of the adjustment member and the bottom plate is threaded, and wherein the threaded portions of the adjustment member and the bottom plate engage.

8. A valve assembly, comprising:
 - a valve body having a top portion and a bottom portion;
 - a top plate disposed at the top portion;
 - a bottom plate disposed at the bottom portion, the bottom plate having at least one threaded opening; and
 - at least one adjustment member disposed between the top plate and the bottom plate and engaged with the bottom plate, each adjustment member having a tool mating portion that can accommodate a tool and a threaded portion that engages with said at least one threaded opening in the bottom plate, wherein rotation of the adjustment member with the tool changes a relative position between the top plate and the bottom plate.
9. The valve assembly of claim 8, wherein the valve body has a groove in the top portion that engages the top plate such that the position of the top plate and the valve body changes together relative to the bottom plate when the adjustment member is rotated.
10. The valve assembly of claim 8, wherein at least one of the valve body, the top plate, and the bottom plate restrict rotational movement when the adjustment member changes the relative position of the top plate and the bottom plate.
11. The valve assembly of claim 10, wherein the valve body has a double-D cross section and the top plate and bottom plate each have a double-D opening to accommodate the valve body.
12. The valve assembly of claim 8, wherein the tool mating portion is a slot that accommodates a screwdriver.
13. The valve assembly of claim 8, wherein said at least one adjustment member comprises two adjustment members.